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SUBJECT: CAR MISSION DEBTS

REF: A. USUN 0032, JANUARY 8 B. STATE 5393, JANUARY 9

C. BANGUI 1460

1. AS REQUESTED REF TEL (A) AND AUTHORIZED REFTEL (B) EMBOFF MADE DEMARCHE JANUARY 10 TO ANTOINE-JACQUES OUADDOS, FONMIN DIRECTOR OF GENERAL SERVICES, WHO HAD ASSISTED EMBASSY PREVIOUSLY ON CAR MISSION DEBT PROBLEM (REFTEL C).
 2. EMBOFF EXPRESSED REGRET THAT IT WAS NECESSARY TO CALL UPON OUADDOS' GOOD OFFICES A SECOND TIME WITHIN LESS THAN TWO WEEKS REGARDING MISSION DEBTS, BUT ADDED THAT HE OF COURSE, AS FORMER FIRST SECRETARY AT CAR EMBASSY WASHINGTON 1970-71, WOULD HAVE UNDERSTANDING FOR THE PROBLEM TO WHICH HE NODDED KNOWINGLY.
 3. OUADDOS DID NOT THEREFORE SEEM SURPRISED AT FINANCIAL DIFFICULTIES OF CAR MISSION ALTHOUGH HE INDICATED HE HAD HAD NO PRIOR KNOWLEDGE OF AMOUNTS INVOLVED. HE SAID NOT ALL THE RESPONSIBILITY FOR DEBT SITUATION LIES IN BANGUI. CAR MISSION AT NEW YORK FAILS HE SAID TO MAKE TIMELY SUBMISSIONS EXPENSE VOUCHERS AND BY THE TIME FONMIN DOES RECEIVE THEM FOR PROCESSING AND APPROVAL NEW YORK CREDITORS ARE ALREADY AT HEELS OF CAR/UN MISSION. SUGGEST USUN MAY WISH AT ITS DISCRETION PASS ALONG
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THIS BIT OF ADVICE TO CAR MISSION CONTACTS FOR WHATEVER IT MIGHT

BE WORTH.

4. OUADDOS SAID THAT IT WOULD NOT BE NECESSARY FOR EMBASSY
APPROACH CAR FONMIN AS HE WOULD BRING UP DEBTS DIRECTLY WITH
FONMIN POTOLOT WHO IN TURN WOULD BE IN TOUCH WITH FINMIN KOYAMBA.
HE UNDERTOOK TO KEEP THE EMBASSY INFORMED BUT COULD NOT OFFER
ANY GUESS AS TO WHEN FONMIN MIGHT BE ABLE RESOLVE QUESTION.

5. EMBOFF LEFT COPIES OF LIST OF OUTSTANDING CAR MISSION
DEBTS CONTAINED REFTEL IN BOTH ENGLISH AND FRENCH.

6. I AM SEEKING APPOINTMENT WITH POTOLOT COMING WEEK TO DISCUSS
ACCUMULATED OUTSTANDING DEMARCHES. SHOULD CHECK NOT BE SENT TO
NEW YORK BY THEN WILL ADD DEBT PROBLEM TO LIST.
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